

FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 10-2003)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 255A 3775 PCT	
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER (if known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)	
				10/551532	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/004443		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 29, 2004		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 31, 2003	
TITLE OF INVENTION		BODY FLUID ABSORBENT ARTICLE			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US		YUKA KURITA and KAZUNORI NISHIZAWA			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (20) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>					
Items 11 to 19 below concern document(s) or information included:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Copy of Form PCT/IB/308 (First Notice of Informing Applicant of Communication of International Application)</li> <li>b. Copy of Form PCT/IB/308 (Second Notice of Informing Application of Communication of International Application)</li> <li>c. Thirty-seven (37) sheets of drawings</li> </ol> </li> </ol>					

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20. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):**

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) nor international search fee (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO of JPO ..... **\$1,000**

International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... **\$1,000**

International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... **\$770**

International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... **\$200**

International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... **\$100**

**ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =**

<b>Surcharge of \$130 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)).</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30	<b>\$ 0</b>	
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CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER ALLOWED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	25	20	5	\$ 50	\$ 250	
Independent claims	2	3	0	\$ 100	\$ 0	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+	<b>\$360</b>	<b>\$ 360</b>
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>					<b>\$1,610</b>	

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.

**SUBTOTAL =**

<b>Processing fee of \$130 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(f)).</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30	<b>\$ 0</b>	
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**TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =**

<b>Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	
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**TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =**

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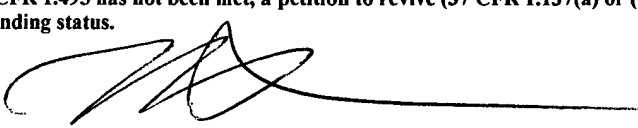
a. ☒ Checks in the amounts of \$ and \$1,610 to cover the above fees are enclosed.

b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 11-1445 in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1445. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

**NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.**

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